against a target i £ 1.71 m. hectares in the country.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Question c oes not arise.

Voluntary Organ sations engaged in Promoting Environment Awareness

1839. SHRI - PAWAN . KUMAR BANSAL: mil the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the name$_s$ of different volun tary organisations and the amount disbursed to such organisations by Government for promoting environ ment awareness tmongst the people during the last oie year; and

(b) what *is* the nethod for selecting such organisation for the aforesaid purpose? t gj g{

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI):: (a) A statement is placed on the Table ,of the SabZia. (See Appendix CXLHI, Annexur$_e$ No. 85].

(b) An empowered Committee consisting of experts ;md the officials of the Department h id examined the proposals receiv. d from various organisations and selected the organisations for the purpose of promotion of environmental awareness on the basis of the c edibility, potentiality and innovath eness of the proposals submitted.

Rise *^{n} Unemployment in Delhi

1840. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Wfcll the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether in 1986 about 1.7 lakh job-seekers got registered in Employment Exchanges $» Delhi and only 44,000 could get placements while in 1985, abo>it 2 laki job-seekers got registered and nearly 57,000 gat DlacementS' anrt

(b) if so, what are the reasoss for the rise in unemployment and decline in placements in> 1986 as compared to 1985 and what steps have been taken to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) All the job-seekers registered with Employment Exchanges are not necessarily unemployed. Employment Exchanges are one amongst several agencies through which placements of unemployed ar$_e$ effected against notified vacancies. Decline in placements in 1986 as compared to 1985 i$_s$ due to the less number of vacancies notified to the Employment Exchanges.

Fishermen in Pakistani Jails

1841. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN; Win the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Indian fishermen who were captured by Pakistani authorities during the last three years and are at present serving sentences in Pakistani jails;

(b) what is the number of Indian fishing boats captured by Pakistan during the last three years; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to get the fishermen and also the fishing boats released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) 133 of which 108 are believed to be still in Pakistani custody.

(b) 15 and 2 Taiwanese vessels' on lease.

(c) Government have been actively taking up the question of the release of Indian boats and fishermen with the Government of Pakistan and have so far secured the release of four boats and 25 fishermen.